

Buena Vista Trails Advisory Board July 7, 2009 Public Works Building

Present: Lois Walton, Pat McCarthy, Andrew Miller, Keith Baker, Shannon Haydin, Kathy Hoerlein Guest: Tom Herlihy – Partner with The Trailhead

- 1. Lois called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m.
- 2. June 2, 2009 Minutes approved as written.

Andrew Miller announced his resignation as an Alternate from the Trails Board as he has accepted a 4<sup>th</sup> grade teaching position. He will submit a letter to the Board. Lois asked if he knew of an interested person and he said possibly Kep Heineitz from ArkValleyVelo. He will contact him.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Updates:

- Status of subdivisions with relation to trail development Cottage Glen Shannon is checking on the plat maps for accuracy. Lois completed the subdivision referral response from the Trails Board to read as: "The interior trails should be constructed as per theTownTrails Plan as well as any linkage trail to the already existing nature area trail as previously agreed upon. Trails Board had a concern about the interior trail lying within the flood plain area and so close to the irrigation ditch for future maintenance problems. The maintenance of these trails are the responsibility of the subdivision." Trails Board will check back with Shannon on the trails status at our next meeting.
- 2. Non-deeded property by Cottage Glen and Vessey easement Shannon reported that a title search is needed and said this should be solved. Lois believed that Mr. Vessey gave the land as a town trail in the 1980's and it may be on DOW property.
- 3. Southwest Conservation Corp The date for trail work is to begin next week starting on Monday, July 13, concluding Friday the 17<sup>th</sup>. Ed will teach his class Friday a.m. on bug identification and river habitat and health.
- 4. Town budget requests for 2010 and workshop with Town Trustees Shannon reported that she, Sue and Christine will be attending a trails grant meeting. Shannon will check into the grant that Bev Kaiser had written for the bridge over Cottonwood Creek to see why Buena Vista was rejected. It was discussed that we need to ask specifically for county funds in the future for projects (i.e. Crossman Rd.) and to ask the Town Trustees to advocate for identified projects involving that funding request.
- 5. BV POST (Buena Vista Parks, Open Space and Trails) Lois reported that the LTUA had not made a decision as yet on accepting this group as a chapter for a 501(c)(3). Keith and Evelyn Baker, owners of The Trailhead, have generously agreed to collect funds from sales to be used for parks, open space and trails in our town and surrounding area.

6. Other: Members asked Keith to advise us on the budget presentation and he felt the Trails Plan was in place and a good document. Shannon reported that the new Town engineer would start on Aug. 1 and that position could be a needed interim step for trail construction. A new Code Enforcement officer would also soon start. Andrew reported that ArkValleyVelo was writing a letter to address the traffic and safety issue to BLM on the Midland Road with a connecting bike trail off the road. Kep will contact Kathy if an additional letter is needed.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

Next Meeting: August 4, 2009 at 9:00 a.m. at Public Works Building

Minutes submitted by Kathy Hoerlein